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## MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW and RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Slaughter steers and heifers sold steady to 50¢ higher for the week at most midwest markets. Good and Choice slaughter cattle predominated in receipts. The number of steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at the 7 markets totaled 105,638 compared with 82,856 the previous holiday week and 113,486 a year earlier. Slaughter cows were strong to 50¢ higher at most points. Feeder cattle and calves sold mostly steady. Sharp early price advances on barrows and gilts were partially erased late in the week as marketing expanded to leave closing sales steady to 50¢ above the previous Friday. Sows were 25-75¢ higher. Slaughter lambs found good demand and sold firm to 50¢ higher.

**SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES** - Livestock trading in the first full marketing week of 1962 was largely dominated by weather conditions. Severe cold and snow disrupted the normal marketing pattern, and was the major factor influencing prices. Though cattle receipts increased compared with the previous holiday shortened week, supplies were smaller than the corresponding week last year. Good to average-Choice slaughter steers and heifers formed the bulk of salable supplies, although the percentage of feeders increased at some markets following the holiday lull in marketings of such stock. The percentage of cows in receipts was smaller than usual at some markets due to the severe weather. Slaughter steers declined early in the week at most markets when receipts proved comparatively large. But the trend was reversed later, on weather curtailed supplies, and for the week steers closed steady to 50¢ higher. Heifers were also steady to 50¢ higher, some Choice and Prime 75¢ higher in Chicago. Cows sold generally strong to 50¢ higher and bulls largely steady to 50¢ higher. Twelve market supplies of slaughter calves and vealers were down nearly 40 percent from the corresponding week a year ago, and prices were strong to \$1.00 higher in St. Paul and St. Louis.

**Slaughter steers:** In Chicago, Choice and Prime 950-1525# steers closed at \$26.00-28.25 with a few loads Prime \$28.50-28.75. At other midwest centers, some high-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime steers brought \$27.00-27.40 with Prime to \$27.75 at Sioux City. Bulk Choice steers \$24.75-26.50, Good \$22.00-25.00.

**Slaughter heifers:** Two load shipment Prime 1050# heifers in Chicago \$27.25, highest in a year. Choice heifers in Chicago closed from \$25.25-27.00. Bulk Choice at other markets \$24.25-26.00, Good \$21.50-24.50.

**Slaughter cows:** Utility and Commercial \$14.50-17.00, Canner and Cutter \$12.00-15.00.

**FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES** - Receipts of feeder cattle and calves at terminal markets

were only moderately increased over the holiday-shortened period last week. Snow blocked roads in some areas and extremely cold temperatures were primary factors influencing the moderate supplies. Adverse weather conditions limited country buyer attendance and made handling of cattle more difficult with the general effect of restricting the demand somewhat. However, supplies were not overly large in relation to the restricted demand and at most markets the outlet was broad enough to absorb the moderate numbers at steady prices. Some exceptions were at Sioux Falls and Sioux City where prices declined 50¢-\$1.00. Good and Choice cattle and calves predominated in the run at terminal markets. Several shipments of Choice and Fancy as well as scattered consignments of Medium were also offered.

**Feeder steers:** Good and Choice 800-1025# largely \$22.00-24.00, few loads Choice and Fancy 800-850# \$24.50-25.25. Good and Choice 550-750# moved from \$22.00-26.00. Few loads Choice 570-600# \$26.50-27.00 and 3 loads Choice and Fancy 602-633# \$27.35-27.50. At Sioux City several loads Choice and Fancy 500-588# brought \$27.50-31.00, load Fancy 530# \$32.00. Medium and mixed Medium and Good ranged \$18.75-23.00.

**Feeder heifers:** Most Good and Choice 550-750# \$21.00-24.00, few loads Choice \$24.50-25.50.

**Feeder calves:** Scattered shipments Choice and Fancy 325-525# steers \$30.00-33.00, load 386# at \$33.00. Good and Choice sold \$24.50-29.50. Most Good and Choice heifers \$22.00-26.50. Few loads Choice \$27.00-28.00. Load Fancy around 400# reached \$30.00.

**HOGS** - Terminal markets - Major price advances were recorded on barrows and gilts the first three days of the week when extreme winter weather held a tight rein on the supply of hogs. As the weather moderated Thursday and Friday, marketings of barrows and gilts were sharply expanded and a large share of the early price upturn was erased. Barrows and gilts closed steady to 50¢ higher, except steady to 25¢ lower at Chicago. Sow prices held early advances to close mostly 25-75¢ higher. Sow supplies at the 8 markets at 7 percent were 3 percent less than the preceding week. The average weight of barrows and gilts at the 8 markets at 234# compared with 236# the previous week and 238# a year ago. Receipts at the twelve markets were 7 percent larger than the holiday shortened period a week ago, and 8 percent less than the run a year earlier.

**Barrows and gilts:** No. 1-3, 190-240# closed at \$16.75-17.50 at the western Corn Belt centers with No. 1-2, \$17.25-18.00. In the eastern part of the area, No. 1-3, 180-240# \$17.25-18.00, No. 1-2 190-225# \$17.75-18.25.

**Sows:** No. 1-3, 270-400# \$14.25-15.75,



mostly \$14.50-15.25; No. 2-3, 400-550# \$13.50-14.75.

Feeder pigs at Sioux City were steady to 25¢ higher with Good and Choice 130-160# selling at \$14.75-15.50. At St. Paul, sales were 50¢ lower with Choice 130-160# bringing \$15.50-16.00.

HOGS - Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area direct sales totaled 382,000 head, about 29 percent more than the holiday-shortened supply the previous week and around 4 percent greater than a year ago. Extreme cold and drifting snow curbed receipts and prompted price advances through Wednesday. However, weather conditions moderated later in the week and marketings increased influencing lower trends. Late sales of barrows and gilts were 15-25¢ higher than the previous Friday; sows mostly 50¢ higher.

Barrows and gilts: On Friday, most U. S. No. 1-3 200-240# sold at \$16.25-17.00, No. 1-2 \$16.75-17.25.

Sows: U. S. No. 1-3 270-400# brought \$13.75-15.40; 400-550# mostly \$12.25-13.75.

Hogs - Interior Illinois - Receipts for the week totaled 103,800 compared with 84,500 the previous week and 100,600 a year earlier. Demand was fairly good. Early advances were partially erased after mid-week. Barrows and gilts closed steady to mostly 25¢ higher for the week, instances 50¢ higher. Sows were mostly 25¢ higher.

Barrows and gilts: No. 1-3 190-230# \$16.75-17.50, mostly \$17.00-17.25, No. 1-3 230-250# \$16.25-17.00, No. 2-3 250-270# \$15.50-16.25.

Sows: No. 1-3 250-400# \$13.25-15.25, few \$15.50, No. 2-3 400-500# \$12.25-13.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Receipts at the 12 terminals totaled 101,000 head, 11 percent more than the previous holiday-shortened week, but a reduction of 20 percent from last year. Marketings found ready outlets and all represented classes strong to 50¢ higher. Below zero temperatures and snow cover over most of the mid-west curtailed movement at major centers. Woolled slaughter lambs predominated receipts, but the proportion of shorn lambs increased at some markets.

Slaughter lambs: Bulk Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 80-115# woolled closed at \$17.00-18.00, sparingly \$18.10-18.50; Choice and Prime 115-119# and Good and Choice 78-110# \$16.00-17.50; Good \$15.00-16.00. Bulk Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 80-110# shorn No. 1-2 and fall shorn pelts \$16.00-17.00, some Choice and Prime 93-105# lambs with fall shorn pelts \$17.25. Good and Choice 75-110# \$15.50-16.50.

Slaughter ewes: Cull to Good woolled \$3.00-8.25.

Feeder lambs: Choice and Fancy 50-97# woolled \$15.50-17.00, Good and Choice 43-90# \$11.00-16.00, many points \$13.00-16.00. Few

shipments Choice 78-85# shorn No. 2-3 pelts \$14.40-15.00.

Sheep and lamb receipts in the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area at 28,000 head was 27 percent more than in the previous week but 10 percent less than a year ago. Good demand and higher prices featured trading on moderate slaughter lamb supplies. Sub-zero temperatures curtailed movement in most areas. Woolled slaughter lambs closed 25-50¢ higher while shorn lambs were steady to 50¢ higher. Slaughter ewes steady.

Slaughter lambs: Bulk Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 90-110# woolled delivered to packing plants \$17.00-17.50, few shipments high-yielding 90-105# \$17.75-18.00; Good and low-Choice 85-110# \$16.00-17.00. Bulk Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 85-110# shorn No. 1 and fall shorn pelts \$15.50-16.75 mainly \$16.00-16.50; Good and low-Choice \$15.00-16.00.

Slaughter ewes: Cull to Good woolled \$2.00-4.00.

#### RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Note: Shrink on most range and feedlot sales none to 5 percent, mostly 4 percent f.o.b. some with short haul and 3 percent shrink. All sales for immediate delivery unless specified.

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND UTAH - Slaughter steers and heifers active, fully steady, with contracting into February and early March fairly common. Slaughter lambs moderately active and about steady, trading on Imperial Valley old-crop offerings now getting underway.

Slaughter steers: California and Arizona, 410 Choice 975-1100# \$26.60-26.75; 13,900 Good to mostly Choice 900-1250# \$25.75-26.70; 6,600 Good and Choice 850-1125# \$24.70-25.50; 3,100 Standard and Good 875-1125# \$23.50-24.50; 1,000 Standard 850-1050# \$22.00-23.00.

Slaughter heifers: California, 200 Choice 900-975# \$25.50; 1,500 Good to mostly Choice 775-950# \$24.75-25.25; 125 Standard to mostly Good, 825-850# \$24.00-24.25; 115 Standard and Good 550-1000# \$22.50-23.50. Arizona, 160 Choice 900-925# \$26.00; 720 mostly Choice \$25.50-25.75; 900 Good and Choice, mostly Choice 900-950# \$25.00. Utah, 70 Choice 900-950# \$24.00-24.50.

Slaughter calves: California and Arizona, 55 Good and Choice 275-300# \$26.00; 1,000 mostly Good 465-625# \$24.00-25.00.

Feeders: California, 235 Good and Choice 260-270# steer calves \$32.00, f.o.b. weighing point; 700 Choice 450# mixed calves, steers \$28.00, heifers \$24.00-24.50; 730 Good to mostly Choice 575-700# steers \$24.50-25.75. Arizona, 500 Good and Choice 350-400# steers \$26.00-27.50; 100 Good and Choice 250# steers \$23.00. Nevada, 900 Choice and Fancy 300# steer and heifer calves \$30.00; 270 Choice 425# steers \$27.50; 700 head Choice 600-700#

steers \$24.00-25.00.

Slaughter lambs: California, 700 Choice 106-108# No. 1 and 2 pelts \$18.25 delivered, involving 40¢ freight; 8,800 mostly Choice, 100-112# No. 2 to fall shorn pelts \$17.00-17.50. Arizona, 250 Good and Choice 106# No. 2 pelts \$16.50. Utah, 7,200 Choice and Prime 98-108# woolled \$17.25-17.75.

Feeder lambs: Utah, 2,000 Choice and Fancy 80-90# \$15.50-16.00.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN KANSAS AND WESTERN NEBRASKA - Near record low temperatures coupled with 8 to 15 inches of snow hampered trading at feedlots. Slaughter steers sold steady to 50¢ higher, heifers sold steady to strong.

Slaughter steers: Colorado, 1,025 head Choice 1100-1250# \$26.25-27.00; around 4,100 high-Good and Choice 1100-1300# \$25.50-26.50, numerous loads \$26.00-26.50; 225 head mostly Good 950-1000# \$24.50-24.75.

Slaughter heifers: Colorado, 4,200 head Choice 900-1040# \$25.85-26.45, bulk at \$26.00-26.35; around 1,800 high-Good and Choice 900-975# \$24.75-25.75.

Feeders: Demand for feeder cattle good, but available supply presently changing hands rather limited. The few direct sales confirmed were made at steady prices. Western Kansas, 1,050 Good and Choice 775-900# feeder steers \$22.75-23.85, mostly \$23.50-23.85; 250 Good and Choice steers to weigh 850# at May delivery \$22.00-22.50; 470 Good and Choice 600-650# feeder heifers \$22.00-23.25. Colorado, 240 Good and Choice 775-835# steers \$23.50; 550 Good to mostly Choice calves, 400-415# heifers \$26.75-27.00, 465-470# steers \$28.00-28.75.

Sheep and lambs: Slaughter lambs steady to 25¢ higher. Sales confirmed on 21,000 head. Colorado, Choice and Prime 96-112# woolled slaughter lambs \$18.00-18.25, couple loads 110-114# \$18.50; Choice 100-110# \$17.50-18.00. Western Nebraska, Choice and Prime 98-110# woolled slaughter lambs \$17.50-18.00. Western Kansas, Choice and Prime 95-105# woolled lambs off wheat pastures \$17.75-18.00 delivered, some at \$17.00 f.o.b. weighing point.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Clovis Area - Trading on slaughter cattle at area feedlots slow despite broad demand. Slaughter steers firm, heifers steady to 50¢ higher. Feeders slow, few sales steady.

Slaughter steers: 700 Good, few Choice 1000-1125# \$25.00, including 600 head for delivery up to March; 270 Good 850-950# \$25.00; 80 Standard, few Good, 1000-1050# \$23.50, few low-Standard out at \$21.50.

Slaughter heifers: 255 Good, Choice end, 900-910# \$25.00; 1,000 Good 670-760# \$24.00-25.00, mostly \$24.50-25.00.

Feeder cattle: 200 Good, Medium end, 596# steers \$22.50; 50 Choice 600# \$24.00;

1,300 mostly Good, 600-675# steers for April \$21.00-21.75.

Feeder calves: 80 Fancy 450#, steers \$29.00, heifers \$27.00; 300 Fancy 440-490# steers \$28.00, heifers \$26.00; 60 Choice 300#, steers \$30.00, heifers \$28.00.

Lambs: Prices steady, 3,000 Choice 95-105# No. 1 pelt shorn slaughter lambs \$15.00; 450 Choice 65# No. 1 to fall shorn feeders \$13.25.

Amarillo Area - Slaughter cattle slow, steady; feeders moderately active, fully steady.

Slaughter steers: 1,200 Good to mostly Choice 1175-1225# \$25.50 for up to March delivery; 315 Good and Choice 1000-1300# January-February \$23.80-24.70.

Feeder cattle: 927 Choice 735-850# steers \$23.50-24.00; 580 Choice 550-625# \$24.75-25.50; 144 Choice and Fancy 650-670# heifers \$24.00; 570 Good and Choice 500-700# \$23.00-23.50. For up to March delivery, Choice and Fancy feeders, 625-700# steers \$24.75-25.00, 600-650# heifer-mates \$23.75; 790 Good 500-650# steers for April \$22.50-23.85; 2,000 Choice 900-950# June delivery \$22.00-22.50; 1,050 Good and Choice 550-625# heifers for up to May \$23.00-23.50.

Feeder calves: 100 Fancy 350# steer calves \$31.50; 900 Good and Choice 400-430# heifers \$106.00 per head.

IDAHO, OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Slaughter steers and heifers mostly steady. Feeder cattle and calves firm. Slaughter lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: Washington, high-Good and Choice 1000-1175# \$25.50-26.00. Oregon, Good to mostly Choice 1050-1187# \$25.75-26.50 delivered. Idaho, Good to mostly Choice 1050-1325# \$24.50-25.00.

Slaughter heifers: Good to mostly Choice 850-950# \$23.50-24.25.

Feeders: Washington, Good to mostly Choice 850-900# steers \$23.00-24.00, 800-850# heifers \$21.00-21.30; Choice 400# steer calves \$28.00. Oregon, Good and Choice 350-465# calves, steers \$27.00-29.00, heifers \$24.00-26.00; Good and Choice 625-750# steers \$24.00-25.00.

Slaughter lambs: Washington, Choice and Prime woolled 110-112# \$19.50; Choice and Prime 103-104# with No. 2 pelts \$18.00 delivered California; Choice and Prime 108-110# shorn No. 3 pelts \$17.00 f.o.b. Oregon, Choice and Prime 90-114# No. 3 pelt shorn largely \$17.00-17.75 delivered Portland; Choice and Prime 103# woolled \$17.50-19.00 delivered California. Idaho, Choice and Prime woolled 104-112# \$17.50-18.00.

MONTANA AND NORTHERN WYOMING - A limited number of slaughter and shearing lambs sold steady.

Slaughter lambs: Eastern Montana, about 250 Choice and Prime 110# \$16.50. Northern Wyoming, 750 Choice 100-105# \$17.50, delivered to Colorado packer.

Shearing lambs: Eastern Montana, 500 Choice and Fancy 93# \$16.00. Northern Wyoming, 400 Choice and Fancy 95-100# \$16.25.



## WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
Chicago .....	32,435	38,707	91	237	34,874	38,674	5,961	9,909
Denver .....	13,817	15,604	1,652	2,807	3,750	7,024	14,190	9,096
Fort Worth ....	5,540	7,052	692	2,652	1,278	1,949	9,360	7,374
Indianapolis ..	7,165	8,342	278	394	28,842	32,147	2,103	3,636
Kansas City ...	15,386	22,568	719	969	15,650	15,286	3,391	8,230
Oklahoma City .	7,243	13,874	582	1,817	2,926	3,460	823	2,543
Omaha .....	35,829	44,323	386	698	53,172	53,048	14,164	17,498
St. Joseph ....	13,256	16,614	236	607	24,012	26,217	7,282	9,024
St. Louis NSY .	12,075	16,977	863	2,022	44,621	57,604	5,306	8,613
Sioux City ....	33,205	34,827	3,271	3,467	46,661	48,263	9,424	13,196
Sioux Falls ...	11,219	9,948	154	369	20,908	19,804	12,662	15,602
So. St. Paul ..	23,976	21,649	6,518	8,842	53,966	56,513	16,431	20,913
Total .....	211,146	250,485	15,442	24,881	330,660	359,989	101,097	125,634
" Jan. 6, '62	179,078		15,704		310,340		91,059	

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA -		Jan. 13, 1962	Jan. 6, 1962	Jan. 14, 1961	
	Hogs .....	382,000	297,000	369,000*	
	Sheep .....	28,000	22,100	31,100*	
INTERIOR ILLINOIS -	Hogs .....	103,800	84,500	100,600	Revised.

## FEEDER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended			Month		Twelve months	
	Jan. 11	Jan. 4	Jan. 12	Dec. 1961	Dec. 1960	Jan.-Dec. 1961	Jan.-Dec. 1960
	1962	1962	1961	1961	1960	1961	1960
Steers - 1001# up .....	248	334	1,359	3,214	5,314	28,853	33,110
901-1000 .....	1,406	1,496	2,618	7,641	9,430	94,793	96,510
801-900 .....	3,482	1,770	4,579	11,252**	15,016	179,423	183,480
701-800 .....	2,428	2,141	7,549	12,694	17,349	250,603	269,350
501-700 .....	7,524	3,532	11,732	25,152	34,853	543,362	612,224
Total steers 10 markets....	15,088	9,273	27,837	59,953	81,962	1,097,034	1,194,674
Av. wt. " " " ....	711#	750#	718#	747#	746#	715#	712#
Av. cost* " " " ....	\$23.67	\$23.14	\$24.50	\$23.33	\$23.81	\$23.28	\$23.02
" " " Chicago .....	21.02	22.43	23.12	23.07	23.60	22.88	23.71
" " " Kansas City....	22.84	22.99	24.21	23.06	23.61	23.20	22.93
" " " Omaha .....	23.40	23.46	25.27	23.57	23.81	23.93	23.80
" " " S. St. Paul....	22.39	20.83	22.63	21.45	21.96	21.22	22.11
" " " Sioux City....	24.94	23.97	26.24	24.88	25.15	24.47	24.46
" " " Denver .....	23.09	21.82	24.37	23.55	24.39	23.92	23.54
" " " Ft. Worth ....	23.33	22.87	23.32	22.75	22.42	22.17	21.16
" " " Oklahoma City.	23.21	23.63	23.28	23.42	23.11	22.44	21.43
" " " S. St. Joseph.	22.61	22.40	23.37	22.84	22.66	23.05	22.47
" " " St. Louis NSY.	22.47	22.78	23.13	22.15	22.48	22.20	22.09
Total calves - 10 markets..	13,095	5,239	15,985	55,547	75,401	716,538	781,671
" heifers " " ....	2,118	1,369	3,595	8,522	12,096	180,262	197,768
" cows " " ....	810	687	1,365	6,554	6,151	54,221	48,320

\* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market.

\*\*Correction.

## ESTIMATED PERCENT OF FEEDER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chi- cago	Kan- sas City	Omaha	S. St. Joseph	St. Louis NSY	Sioux City	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	Den- ver	Ft. Worth	Okl- la. City	Wich- ita	San Antonio
Feeders													
Jan. 12, 1962	2	35	8	7	5	29	8	6	10	60	70	40	55
Jan. 5, 1962	2	38	8	5	8	26	10	10	10	70	69	55	45
Jan. 13, 1961	2	44	12	10	8	35	5	6	12	75	76	51	45
Slaughter cows													
Jan. 12, 1962	3	10	10	7	9	6	18	14	20	15	12	10	15
Jan. 5, 1962	5	12	10	8	9	6	20	12	20	10	9	16	15
Jan. 13, 1961	5	9	12	9	15	8	27	14	18	15	12	19	22

## STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/

Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	Jan. 11 1962	Jan. 12 1961	Jan. 11 1962	Jan. 12 1961	Jan. 11 1962	Jan. 12 1961	Jan. 11 1962	Jan. 12 1961
CHICAGO								
Prime.....	2,935	3,159	12.6	11.8	1,238	1,252	28.11	29.34
Choice.....	13,144	15,013	56.5	56.3	1,179	1,187	26.38	27.78
Good.....	6,017	7,210	25.8	27.0	1,118	1,149	24.73	25.94
Standard.....	899	854	3.9	3.2	1,034	1,058	22.32	23.30
Commercial.....	--	93	--	.4	--	1,444	--	22.57
Utility.....	281	352	1.2	1.3	1,041	1,047	20.52	20.59
All grades.....	23,276	26,681			1,163	1,180	26.00	27.26
OMAHA								
Prime.....	258	230	1.5	1.2	1,198	1,168	26.68	27.40
Choice.....	7,488	9,050	43.5	48.0	1,163	1,183	25.48	26.11
Good.....	8,277	8,703	48.0	46.1	1,116	1,146	23.80	24.57
Standard.....	668	693	3.9	3.7	1,055	1,117	21.67	21.42
Utility.....	532	183	3.1	1.0	1,117	1,003	19.74	20.04
All grades.....	17,223	18,859			1,135	1,162	24.40	25.21
SIOUX CITY								
Prime.....	358	327	2.5	2.9	1,205	1,159	26.90	28.02
Choice.....	9,071	6,516	64.2	57.1	1,166	1,167	25.50	26.50
Good.....	4,012	4,098	28.4	35.9	1,106	1,160	24.04	24.93
Standard.....	589	407	4.2	3.6	1,096	1,078	21.56	21.65
Utility.....	103	64	.7	.5	1,040	1,049	19.70	20.11
All grades.....	14,133	11,412			1,146	1,161	24.94	25.78
KANSAS CITY								
Prime.....	67	2	1.1	--	1,126	1,070	26.50	27.43
Choice.....	2,072	1,200	32.5	17.1	1,131	1,100	25.26	26.20
Good.....	3,335	5,189	52.4	74.0	1,081	1,121	23.99	24.09
Standard.....	755	614	11.8	8.7	1,060	1,062	21.47	21.00
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	140	16	2.2	.2	1,058	1,090	19.08	19.24
All grades.....	6,369	7,021			1,095	1,112	24.05	24.18
ST. LOUIS NSY								
Prime.....	--	17	--	.2	--	930	--	28.00
Choice.....	897	1,517	16.0	21.7	1,089	1,088	25.79	26.33
Good.....	3,748	4,335	66.8	62.1	1,053	1,081	24.06	24.81
Standard.....	692	897	12.3	12.9	978	1,011	21.76	22.44
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	276	219	4.9	3.1	974	924	19.50	19.24
All grades.....	5,613	6,985			1,046	1,068	23.88	24.72
S. ST. JOSEPH								
Prime.....	133	--	1.7	--	1,156	--	27.36	--
Choice.....	3,396	2,882	44.4	38.9	1,120	1,169	25.20	25.94
Good.....	3,618	4,228	47.2	57.0	1,114	1,139	23.56	24.37
Standard.....	510	303	6.7	4.1	1,053	1,079	20.59	21.12
Utility.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
All grades.....	7,657	7,413			1,114	1,148	24.17	24.86
DENVER								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	1,820	1,815	60.9	76.7	1,176	1,216	26.36	26.24
Good.....	1,113	494	37.3	20.9	1,053	1,111	24.44	24.42
Standard.....	55	42	1.8	1.7	1,302	1,131	21.71	20.45
Utility.....	--	16	--	.7	--	879	--	18.22
All grades.....	2,988	2,367			1,132	1,191	25.60	25.75

1/ Data collected by Statistical Reporting Service, and Livestock Division, A. M. S.

## WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

City or Area	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
Boston, New York City Area ....	13,191	14,326	11,146	11,023	49,051	45,360	39,353	44,879
Baltimore, Philadelphia .....	9,600	9,484	1,849	2,293	34,437	33,591	4,473	5,179
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls. .	20,236	20,738	3,216	4,642	117,073	130,291	12,659	17,072
Chicago Area .....	12,835	17,051	6,907	7,946	36,336	47,819	6,940	7,060
St. Paul- Wisc. Areas .....	30,600	31,939	17,622	23,324	125,872	128,530	23,768	23,978
St. Louis Area .....	10,895	12,036	1,004	1,799	70,508	70,327	5,796	8,684
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area ....	33,576	20,999	--	--	117,651	111,829	17,299	17,351
Omaha Area .....	39,301	39,167	202	247	89,364	87,639	18,995	23,401
Kansas City .....	14,786	16,543	--	--	35,595	37,164	--	--
Iowa - So. Minnesota .....	36,833	33,870	8,569	10,094	318,598	324,676	45,041	51,115
Lou'1, Evan'1, Nash'1, Mph's ...	6,214	6,047	1,740	2,732	54,739	58,604	--	--
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area ...	10,663	9,975	4,442	5,676	24,358	33,976	--	--
St. Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City.	20,102	21,763	714	1,227	47,711	52,771	11,273	15,025
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio.	9,718	11,874	3,631	3,655	19,443	17,882	27,037	15,955
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City .	23,869	20,834	88	236	16,214	15,502	43,377	25,759
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas ..	29,319	31,164	2,067	1,576	37,892	30,537	39,356	34,642
Portland, Seattle, Spokane ....	9,197	8,653	408	332	19,549	15,668	6,995	5,396
Total .....	330,935		63,605		1,214,391		302,362	
		326,463		76,802		1,242,166		295,496
Accumulation to date .....	612,406		134,996		2,210,736		554,123	
		594,122		144,116		2,243,155		537,818

## ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and mutton		Total meat	Total lard
	Num-ber	Prod.	Num-ber	Prod.	Num-ber	Prod.	Num-ber	Prod.	prod.	prod.
	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	mil.lb.	mil.lb.
Jan. 13, 1962 .....	405	241.4	100	11.5	1,395	195.9	320	15.7	464.5	--
Jan. 6, 1962 .....	340	202.6	105	12.1	1,145	164.8	275	13.5	393.0	--
Dec. 16, 1961 1/ .....	398	--	101	--	1,392	--	259	--	--	42.3
Dec. 23, 1961 1/ .....	366	--	108	--	1,376	--	217	--	--	42.4
Jan. 14, 1961 1/ .....	402	241.8	108	12.4	1,426	201.9	332	16.7	472.8	45.3

## Percentage change from:

Jan. 6, 1962 .....	19	19	-5	-5	22	19	16	16	18	--
Jan. 14, 1961 .....	1	0	-7	-7	-2	-3	-4	-6	-2	--

Week ended	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs		Lard
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	yield per 100 lb.
	2/		2/		2/		2/		
Jan. 13, 1962 .....	1045	596	205	115	240	140	102	49	--
Jan. 6, 1962 .....	1045	596	205	115	246	144	102	49	--
Dec. 23, 1961 .....	1030	587	190	105	243	142	101	48	--
Jan. 14, 1961 .....	1056	601	206	115	242	142	102	50	13.1

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.



**CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS**  
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		North Portland	
	Jan. 13 1962	Jan. 14 1961	Jan. 13 1962	Jan. 14 1961	Jan. 13 1962	Jan. 14 1961	Jan. 13 1962	Jan. 14 1961	Jan. 13 1962	Jan. 14 1961
	13	14	13	14	13	14	13	14	13	14
<b>Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers</b>										
<b>Steers -</b>										
Prime 900-1100#	27.42	29.10	--	--	27.02	27.92	--	--	--	--
1100-1300	28.05	29.00	--	--	27.15	27.72	--	--	--	--
Choice 900-1100	26.32	29.10	25.75	26.40	25.90	26.68	26.50	26.15	25.88	26.00
1100-1300	26.68	27.30	25.62	26.15	25.85	26.35	26.50	26.05	25.50	--
Good 900-1100	24.68	25.75	23.80	24.02	23.72	24.30	24.18	23.05	24.12	24.62
Standard	22.28	22.92	21.15	20.78	21.58	21.55	--	20.00	21.50	21.75
<b>Heifers -</b>										
Choice 700-900#	25.92	26.75	25.12	25.12	25.52	26.18	25.92	25.19	23.88	24.25
Good 600-800	--	--	23.55	22.90	23.18	23.92	--	22.72	22.25	22.75
Standard	21.45	21.75	20.78	19.75	20.75	21.22	--	19.50	19.00	19.75
<b>Cows -</b>										
Commercial	15.58	16.02	16.98	16.55	16.35	16.22	--	--	--	16.75
Utility	15.15	15.68	15.88	15.48	15.35	15.15	16.75	15.92	15.25	15.31
Cutter	14.12	14.85	14.62	14.42	13.98	13.99	15.38	15.70	13.56	13.81
Canner	13.15	13.13	13.00	13.28	12.75	12.75	14.25	12.55	12.00	12.00
<b>Bulls - Yrlgs. excl.</b>										
Commercial	19.82	20.22	18.65	17.72	18.75	17.78	--	--	--	--
Utility	20.60	20.48	19.20	17.95	18.75	17.95	18.75	19.00	20.62	20.00
<b>Calves - 250-500#</b>										
Choice	--	--	23.00	22.35	--	--	--	--	29.50	--
Good	--	--	21.50	20.25	--	--	--	--	27.50	22.75
Standard	--	--	19.50	18.00	--	--	--	--	22.50	19.75
<b>Vealers - 150-250#</b>										
Choice	--	24.50	25.50	24.70	25.50	23.50	--	--	32.00	28.50
Good	--	22.50	23.00	22.00	23.00	20.75	--	--	29.50	26.50
Standard	--	18.50	20.50	19.00	20.25	17.50	--	--	25.00	22.50
<b>Feeder cattle and calves</b>										
<b>Steers - 500-800#</b>										
Fancy	--	--	26.25	--	--	--	27.00	--	--	--
Choice	26.25	26.82	25.25	26.00	26.25	26.88	26.00	25.88	--	24.50
Good	24.25	24.70	23.75	24.25	24.25	24.75	23.00	24.00	22.00	22.00
<b>Heifers - 500-750#</b>										
Choice	--	--	23.75	23.45	24.00	24.00	24.50	23.38	--	--
Good	--	--	21.62	20.00*	22.25	20.75*	21.50	21.50*	--	19.00*
<b>Calves -</b>										
<b>Steer -</b>										
Fancy 300-550#	--	--	29.00	--	--	--	32.75	--	--	--
Choice " "	--)	--	26.50)	27.75	28.75)	29.00	29.50)	29.00	--)	25.25
Good 300-500#	--)	--	24.25)		24.50)		27.00)		25.00)	
<b>Heifer - 300-500#</b>										
Fancy	--	--	26.25	--	--	--	31.00	--	--	--
Choice	--)	--	24.75)	24.00	26.50)	25.25	28.50)	26.25	--)	22.50
Good	--)	--	23.25)		22.75)		26.00)		--)	

\* Medium and Good.



HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS

In dollars per 100 pounds

	Chicago	Interior	St. Louis	Iowa and National	Omaha	Indianapolis	St. Joseph	Kansas City	Peoria						
Classification	So. Minnesota	Stock Yards													
	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.	Jan. : Jan.						
	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14	13 : 14						
	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961	1962 : 1961						
Barrows and gilts															
U. S. No. 1 & 2															
180-200#	18.36	18.02	--	18.22	17.89	17.05	17.58	18.20	18.04	17.78	17.65	17.58	18.08	17.80	
200-220	18.36	18.18	17.15	17.35	18.22	17.88	17.88	17.95	18.28	18.10	18.14	17.84	18.12	17.84	
220-240	18.10	17.92	17.05	17.28	18.13	17.78	17.88	17.98	18.10	17.92	18.05	17.80	17.85	17.58	
U. S. No. 2 & 3															
200-220	17.82	17.68	16.76	16.99	17.84	17.50	17.40	17.38	17.66	17.53	17.42	17.20	17.30	--	17.52
220-240	17.59	17.40	16.68	16.93	17.72	17.32	17.42	17.35	17.58	17.40	17.45	17.11	17.57	--	17.25
240-270	17.20	17.00	16.30	16.33	17.18	16.82	17.08	16.88	17.10	16.88	17.28	16.81	17.41	17.05	16.68
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3															
200-220	17.95	17.92	16.81	17.15	18.04	17.72	17.58	17.55	17.90	17.78	17.68	17.34	17.74	17.46	17.88
220-240	17.80	17.74	16.78	17.03	17.90	17.50	17.58	17.55	17.88	17.65	17.62	17.34	17.69	17.42	17.65
240-270	17.30	17.18	16.39	16.42	17.44	16.99	17.22	16.92	17.49	17.13	17.47	16.98	17.47	17.22	17.30
Sows - U.S.1, 2 & 3															
270-330	--	14.77	14.75	16.00	15.45	15.38	15.15	15.78	15.75	15.22	15.32	15.40	15.08	14.75	15.00
330-400	14.92	15.00	14.20	14.09	15.32	14.95	14.95	14.65	15.15	14.78	14.82	14.82	15.08	14.65	14.20
U.S.2-3 400-550	14.12	13.82	13.06	12.97	14.28	13.70	14.35	14.00	14.45	14.23	14.25	13.80	14.45	13.88	13.40
Classification	South	Sioux City	Sioux Falls	Cincinnati	Fort Worth	Thomasville	Baltimore	North	Portland						
Barrows and gilts															
U. S. No. 1 & 2															
180-200#	17.72	17.68	17.58	17.40	--	18.35	17.87	17.31	--	17.20	17.75	19.12	19.19	19.25	19.78
200-220	17.72	17.68	17.88	17.62	17.68	17.54	18.35	18.18	17.25	--	17.20	17.75	19.21	19.00	19.34
220-240	17.70	17.55	17.88	17.56	17.68	17.54	18.16	17.82	18.50	--	17.20	17.75	--	19.31	19.69
U. S. No. 2 & 3															
200-220	17.32	17.18	17.35	17.36	17.35	17.22	18.19	17.98	--	17.41	16.60	17.05	--	18.50	19.12
220-240	17.28	16.95	17.35	17.34	17.32	17.18	18.02	17.70	18.00	17.31	16.60	17.05	--	18.50	18.88
240-270	17.02	16.55	17.20	16.92	16.82	16.50	--	17.30	17.38	16.88	16.10	16.35	--	17.75	18.22
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3															
200-220	17.40	17.30	17.68	17.44	17.55	17.38	18.32	17.98	17.25	17.59	16.72	17.18	19.03	18.94	--
220-240	17.35	17.02	17.70	17.44	17.55	17.32	18.14	17.74	17.54	17.47	16.72	17.18	18.84	18.69	--
240-270	17.10	16.55	17.42	17.00	16.92	16.68	--	--	17.00	16.94	--	--	--	--	--
Sows - U.S.1, 2 & 3															
270-330	15.30	15.02	15.12	15.35	--	14.95	15.62	15.00	15.50	14.75	13.70	12.75	--	15.25	15.94
330-400	14.52	14.44	14.85	14.80	14.78	14.40	14.78	14.15	15.06	14.44	13.20	12.25	--	14.50	14.88
U.S.2-3 400-550	13.92	13.68	14.22	13.78	13.85	13.45	13.88	13.39	14.94	13.94	12.70	11.50	--	13.25	13.66
Feeder pigs - 70-120#															
Choice	15.92	16.88	--	16.55	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES <sup>1/</sup>

Week ended		Chicago	St. Louis Nat'l. Stock Yards	Kansas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	Eight mkts. com- bined
AVERAGE COST -		Dollars per 100 pounds								
Barrows and gilts	Jan. 13, 1962	17.48	17.67	17.43	17.23	17.21	17.41	16.92	17.66	17.33
	Jan. 6, 1962	17.05	16.94	16.49	16.33	16.33	16.48	16.16	17.18	16.57
	Jan. 14, 1961	17.31	17.25	17.21	17.07	16.78	17.13	16.75	17.53	17.08
Sows	Jan. 13, 1962	13.98	14.47	14.67	14.48	14.19	14.51	14.00	14.35	14.29
	Jan. 6, 1962	13.55	13.68	13.89	13.45	13.39	13.66	13.63	13.83	13.60
	Jan. 14, 1961	13.96	13.93	13.91	14.00	13.73	13.97	13.91	14.00	13.93
AVERAGE WEIGHT -		Pounds								
Barrows and gilts	Jan. 13, 1962	235	223	231	240	244	230	233	230	234
	Jan. 6, 1962	236	229	234	241	244	231	235	234	236
	Jan. 14, 1961	237	228	238	246	249	238	239	230	238
Sows	Jan. 13, 1962	470	427	421	441	453	417	428	467	444
	Jan. 6, 1962	452	436	435	446	439	429	430	468	443
	Jan. 14, 1961	447	427	451	447	450	434	432	473	443
NUMBER OF HEAD -										
Barrows and gilts	Jan. 13, 1962	28523	40134	14428	45672	40797	21552	44734	24290	260130
	Jan. 6, 1962	25753	37709	12291	40674	36325	21396	39914	21273	235335
	Jan. 14, 1961	28705	49077	13617	44943	42614	23189	43412	27646	273203
Sows	Jan. 13, 1962	2338	2121	899	4573	3511	1480	3211	2813	20946
	Jan. 6, 1962	3555	3269	1034	4808	3014	2394	3972	2990	25036
	Jan. 14, 1961	3380	5388	1040	5355	3291	2025	3294	2839	26612
SOWS -		Percentage of total								
Jan. 13, 1962		8	5	6	9	8	6	7	10	7
Jan. 6, 1962		12	8	8	11	8	10	9	12	10
Jan. 14, 1961		11	10	7	11	7	8	7	9	9

<sup>1/</sup> Weighted average.AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG,  
COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

Week ended	Hog products <sup>1/</sup>	Hog prices <sup>2/</sup>	Gross spread or margin <sup>3/</sup>
Jan. 13, 1962 .....	\$19.16	\$17.95	\$1.21
Jan. 6, 1962 .....	18.44	17.47	.97
Jan. 14, 1961 .....	19.86	17.92	1.94

<sup>1/</sup> Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

<sup>2/</sup> Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1,2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

<sup>3/</sup> Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

## HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts <sup>1/</sup> Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn <sup>2/</sup> No.3 yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Jan. 13, 1962 .....	17.48	107.2	16.3
Jan. 6, 1962 .....	17.05	107.9	15.8
Jan. 14, 1961 .....	17.31	108.3	16.0

<sup>1/</sup> Weighted average. <sup>2/</sup> Simple average.

# BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Completed sales of greasy domestic worsted wools were insignificant in the Boston market at steady prices. Supplies were very scarce.

Trade in woolen wools and noils was slow with prices on woolen wools advancing about 3¢. Greasy pulled wools were in demand for combing use while scoured pulled wools were moved for woolen mill consumption. Sales of noils for import from Bradford were extremely limited in the local market although choice lister noils were in demand.

Movement in the domestic primary markets was very small. Occasional lots of fall wools moved in Texas.

Cabled reports from the opening sale at East London, South Africa January 8 showed a poor selection of offerings with the market very firm. Auctions resumed at Wanganui, New Zealand on January 10 with the Continent dominating and Bradford abstaining. Medium wools were irregular with coarse wools very firm. A fair volume of greasy 60s to 64s Australian wools were sold at private treaty for shipment.

Fleece Wools - Trade in fleece wools continued dormant.

Territory Wools - Activity in territory wools was stagnant.

Texas Wools - A few cars of fall wool sold in Texas at an estimated clean cost ranging from 95¢-1.00 delivered East.

Mohair - Occasional lots of adult mohair brought 75¢ to the warehouse while the local market remained dormant.

Wool Tops - Dry-combed fleece 54s tops sold at \$1.45 while dry-combed territory 54s brought around \$1.48. Warp Australian dry-combed 64s brought around \$1.78. Quotes follow:

<u>Warp Aust. D/C</u>		<u>Warp Dom. D/C</u>
70s -	\$1.89	\$1.81
64s -	1.81	1.75
62s -	1.71	1.69
60s -	1.64	1.61
58/60s -	1.56	1.51

  

<u>Oil-combed</u>	<u>Territory</u>	<u>Fleece</u>
58/60s -	\$1.54	\$1.49
56s -	1.50	1.48
50/56s -	1.48	1.46
48/50s -	--	--

Foreign Wools - Movement was limited in spot lots of foreign wools. Greasy Australian warp and half-warp 64/60s sold for shipment around \$1.28, 60/64s about \$1.25 and 60s at \$1.22 clean basis, duty paid. The Continent, United States and Japanese operators were active in South Africa. At Wanganui, New Zealand prices were steady to weak. There was

widespread competition including Germany operating in coarse wools. Cabled reports at week's end follow with combing wools converted to clean U. S. oil-combed yields, in bond.

<u>New Zealand</u>		<u>Montevideo</u>	
<u>Oil-combed</u>		<u>Super Skirted</u>	
93 -	\$.84	60/64s -	\$.98
834 -	.83	60s -	.94
100 -	.80	60/58s -	.92
107 -	.78	58/56s -	.90
114 -	.76	56/50s -	.88
128 -	.76		

<u>South Africa</u>	
<u>Oil-combed</u>	
7 -	\$1.06
8 -	1.05
12 -	1.05
47 -	1.05

Carpet Wools - Most large carpet mills were out of the market and trade was slow. Greasy Buenos Aires November second clips sold for shipment around 69½-70¢. Buenos Aires shippers were offering greasy November carpet wools around 70-71¢, March wools at 68-69¢ and lambs around 67-68¢, clean fibers present. Greasy New Zealand carpet fleeces were offered for shipment around 75-75½¢ and early shorn wool about 72½¢ clean fibers present. Yellow Montgomery wool was offered for shipment at 67¢ and washed North African tannery wool at 72¢. Spot washed pulled white Iceland carpet wool was offered at 79¢ and greasy pulled Turkish carpet wool at 69½¢ clean fibers present. Approximately 4,235 bales, including 700 bales of Afghanistan carpet wools, will be offered at Liverpool on January 17.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

<u>Scoured Pulled Domestic</u>			
60/64s	1½-2½"	ch. wh.	\$1.15
58s	2-3"	ch. wh.	1.08

<u>Scoured Pulled Foreign</u>			
N. Z.	56/58s	2-3" ch. wh.	\$1.13
<u>Scoured Shorn Foreign</u>			
Spot	Monte.	56/60s lambs	\$.92

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - Jan. 11, 1962 (Furnished by the Wool Associates of the New York Cotton Exchange)

March wool tops -	\$1.610 (Bid)
May wool tops -	1.579 (Bid)
64s grade, -	2.55" minimum length
March wool -	\$1.209 (Bid)
May wool -	1.189 (Bid)
64s grade -	2½" ave. stretched length



## WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

### LESS THAN CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEW

EASTERN SEABOARD - Choice and Prime steer beef was steady to 25¢ higher at New York while Good grade beef sold steady to 50¢ lower. Steer beef at Philadelphia was weak to 50¢ lower while other Eastern Seaboard markets were steady, instances strong at Baltimore. Cow beef held mostly steady, except at Philadelphia where prices advanced 50¢-\$1.00. Veal and calf sold strong to \$5.00 higher with the least upturn at New York and Washington. Lamb prices were mostly steady. Pork loins advanced \$2.00-5.00, some closing sales up \$6.00. Other pork cuts were steady to \$5.00 higher at all markets except fresh skinned hams \$1.00-3.00 lower at Washington.

Kosher dressed steer forequarters sold steady, but veal, calf and lamb kosher fronts were \$1.00 higher.

Supplies were mostly normal. Receipts of veal showed a small overall increase while beef and lamb unloads were a trifle curtailed at New York. Clearance was mostly complete at Eastern markets as buyers were active at the close. Demand for beef was good with demand on rounds and chucks the broadest. Rounds and chucks sold higher in contrast to weak to lower trend on ribs and loins. Carcass price levels were fairly well maintained. Veal and calf outlet was only fair, but a rather limited supply was a supporting price factor. Bulk of the volume consisted of Good grade and below. Lamb was moderately active under mostly fair demand. The trade on pork was very active at all markets as most cuts were featured at retail for week-end sales.

CHICAGO - Steer and heifer beef sold steady to \$1.00 higher, veal \$2.00-3.00 higher, lamb fully steady, pork loins 8-16# \$3.00-3.50 higher, Boston butts 4-8# \$1.00-1.50 higher, spareribs 3# and down \$2.00-2.50 higher.

Offerings were moderate in the beef, lamb and fresh pork divisions. Good and Choice comprised the bulk of beef supply. Lamb carcasses averaging 55-65# were most plentiful. Early there were more veal available than normal, however, supplies shortened considerably and numbers were limited from midweek on.

Demand was rather narrow for carcass beef in local wholesale houses. For the second straight week, ribs and loins were slow with price trends weak. Arm and squarecut chucks and rounds found ready outlets, with fractional gains on chucks. Veal trade was only moderately active but reduced supplies and higher costs advanced prices rather sharply. With the exception of one week when prices were steady, veal has worked higher since the last week in November 1961 and current levels are the highest since last spring. Carcass lamb and all cuts generally sold in a moderately active trade. All listed pork cuts were in good demand.

PACIFIC COAST - Carcass steer and heifer beef sold about steady in Southern California and the Pacific Northwest but strong to mostly 50¢ higher in San Francisco. Cow beef was steady to \$1.00 lower, least decline in Northern California; bull beef mostly steady. Calf prices held about steady in all areas. Lamb was 50¢-\$1.00 higher in Los Angeles and steady elsewhere except occasionally 50¢ lower in Portland. Fresh pork loins sold \$6.00-7.00 higher in San Francisco, other fresh items steady to \$3.00 higher in all areas. Sliced bacon and smoked picnics were steady to \$2.00 higher, other cured pork items were steady to \$2.00 lower, most decline on hams. Carcass steer and heifer trade was active early but closed slow as demand narrowed. Supplies were near normal. Cow beef was slow and supplies accumulated. A moderate to short supply of lamb experienced broad demand. Fresh pork trading was fairly active, decreasing supply in California due to storm conditions in the Mid-West; cured pork was moderately active, best outlet was for sliced bacon and smoked picnics.

### CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEW

CHICAGO, DENVER, OMAHA, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA - Trading was very slow and demand poor for steer and heifer beef at eastern wholesale centers early in the week. Supplies were sharply curtailed by midweek at major processing centers resulting in considerably improved demand and trading turned moderately active. Cow beef sold in a moderately active trade all week.

The week's trend on Choice steer beef was mostly steady to 50¢ higher. Good steer was very uneven and sold steady to 50¢ lower in the east while prices were steady to \$1.00 higher at Chicago and other western shipping points. Heifer beef prices advanced 50¢-\$1.50, mostly 50¢-\$1.00. Cow beef was steady to 50¢ lower except at Philadelphia where prices were \$1.50-2.00 lower. Clearance was complete on all classes.

Carcass lamb sold in a very uneven trade again this week. Demand was good for 35-45# carcasses but only fair for heavier weights. Carcasses weighing 35-55# sold steady to \$1.00 higher at Chicago and New York, otherwise trends were steady to \$1.00 lower. Supplies were below normal and clearance was generally complete.

Trading was active on below normal pork supplies and pork loins sold \$2.00-3.00 higher, pork butts \$1.00 higher at Chicago and \$3.00-\$3.50 higher at Omaha. Fresh hams sold steady to \$1.00 higher. Pork carcasses were unchanged at New York and \$1.00-1.50 higher at Philadelphia. Clearance was complete on all classes.

**WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES - LESS THAN CARLOT BASIS**  
**Weekly average of daily quotations in dollars per 100 pounds**

Classification		New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
		Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 13	Jan. 14
		1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
Steer beef -									
Prime	700-800#	45.08	47.02	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	600-700	44.58	47.78	43.85	45.50	43.12	43.00	42.75	42.44
	700-800	43.82	46.82	42.60	44.38	42.50	41.50	41.50	40.94
Good	500-600	42.58	44.52	41.35	43.81	41.75	42.00	42.25	41.00
	600-700	43.08	45.28	41.35	43.81	40.50	40.75	40.75	39.50
Heifer beef -									
Choice	500-600#	--	--	42.55	44.38	42.77	40.50	42.50	42.00
	600-700	--	--	42.55	44.38	42.38	39.50	41.50	40.75
Good	500-600	--	--	40.38	42.50	41.00	--	--	40.25
Veal -									
Prime	90-120#	62.80	62.00	57.25	55.00	--	--	--	--
Choice	90-120	55.30	55.50	54.75	52.00	--	--	--	--
Good	90-120	49.00	49.00	49.75	47.00	54.50	52.00	--	--
Lamb -									
Prime	45-55#	41.75	42.15	39.00	39.88	38.50	40.50	40.00	41.50
Choice	45-55	41.75	41.40	39.00	39.88	38.50	40.50	40.00	41.50
Fresh pork -									
Loins	8-12#	50.80	48.60	48.00	45.50	53.00	51.50	49.00	47.38
Butts	4-8	38.90	39.80	36.75	35.81	43.10	43.50	40.00	41.50
Spareribs	3# down	40.60	42.60	36.80	38.12	42.88	44.00	39.12	40.00
Hams, smk. skd. -									
Cook before eating	12-16#	51.00	49.50	--	50.50	53.00	51.75	54.00	49.50
Fully cooked	10-14#	53.50	52.50	52.75	52.50	--	--	--	--
Bacon, smoked, sliced -	1# package (box lots)	51.00	47.50	49.50	54.75	51.50	57.00	49.50	53.50
Picnics, smoked - (Cook before eating)	4-8#	31.50	32.00	34.00	33.75	33.75	32.50	34.50	33.00
Lard, 1# carton		14.00	15.50	13.75	14.25	17.50	17.50	16.25	15.75

**BULK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED - JANUARY 12, 1962**

Classification		Prices paid F.O.B.			Prices delivered	
		Chicago	Denver	Omaha	New York	Philadelphia
Steer beef -						
Choice	600-700#	42.00-42.50	40.50-41.00	40.75-41.25	43.50-44.00	43.00-44.00
	700-800	41.00-41.50	40.00-40.50	40.25-40.75	42.50-43.50	42.50-43.50
	800-900	40.00-40.50	39.50	39.25-39.75	41.50-42.50	41.50-42.50
Good	500-600	39.50-40.50	--	--	40.00-42.00	--
	600-700	39.00-40.00	36.00-39.50	39.50-40.25	39.75-42.00	40.00-42.00
	700-800	38.50-40.00	36.00-39.50	38.75-39.50	39.75-41.00	39.50-41.50
Heifer beef -						
Choice	500-600#	41.50-42.00	40.00-41.50	40.50-41.00	--	42.50-43.00
	600-700	41.50-42.00	40.00-40.50	40.50-41.00	--	42.00-42.50
Good	500-600	38.50-39.50	--	37.75-38.25	--	--
	600-700	38.50-39.50	--	37.75-38.25	--	--
Cow beef - All weights -						
Utility		29.50-30.00	31.00-31.50	29.25	--	30.00-31.00
Canner and Cutter		29.75-30.00	--	29.25	--	29.50-30.00
Lamb -						
Prime	35-45#	36.50-37.50	--	--	37.00-40.00	37.00-37.50
	45-55	36.00-36.50	--	--	37.00-39.00	37.00-37.50
	55-65	33.00-35.00	--	--	35.00-37.00	36.00-36.50
Choice	35-45	36.50-37.50	34.50-35.00	34.25-35.25	37.00-40.00	37.00-37.50
	45-55	36.00-36.50	33.75-35.00	34.25-35.25	37.00-39.00	37.00-37.50
	55-65	33.00-35.00	31.00-33.00	--	35.00-37.00	36.00-36.50
Fresh pork -						
Loins	8-12#	45.00-46.00	--	45.50-46.00	--	47.50-48.00

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS INSPECTED WHEN OFFERED FOR IMPORTATION  
(USDA - ARS - Meat Inspection Division)

NOVEMBER 1961

Country of origin	Fresh meats and edible offal			Cured meats	
	Beef and Veal	Lamb and Mutton	Pork	Beef	Pork
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina .....	--	--	--	17,418	--
Australia .....	27,422,820	3,347,950	--	--	--
Brazil .....	--	--	--	--	--
Canada .....	3,508,847	33,234	4,064,363	2,312	541,472
Denmark .....	--	--	--	1,875	--
Germany .....	--	--	--	--	17,640
Holland .....	--	--	--	--	5,442
Ireland .....	8,967,752	--	78,547	--	16,045
Mexico .....	7,050,311	--	--	--	--
New Zealand .....	20,241,612	467,525	1,721	--	--
Paraguay .....	--	--	--	--	--
Poland .....	--	--	--	--	--
Uruguay .....	--	--	--	--	--
All others .....	4,428,944	70,217	--	19,950	13,014
Total - Nov. 1961 ...	71,620,286	3,918,926	4,144,631	41,555	593,613
Nov. 1960 ...	12,822,228	1,093,040	2,647,705	123,362	460,335
Refused or condemned:					
Nov. 1961 ...	259,444	--	28,871	10,000	4,942
Nov. 1960 ...	45,335	202,603	1,110	--	580

Country of origin	Canned meats			Cooked beef	Sausage (Trichina treated)	General miscel- laneous	Total
	Beef	Pork	Miscel- laneous				
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Argentina .....	3,944,359	--	40	85,144	--	696,549	4,743,510
Australia .....	31,500	--	--	--	--	--	30,802,270
Brazil .....	1,284,980	--	--	288,000	--	--	1,572,880
Canada .....	22,545	302,986	10,854	--	13,908	169,166	8,669,687
Denmark .....	19,326	5,541,920	541,628	--	597,073	--	6,701,822
Germany .....	--	95,569	3,391	--	43,625	--	160,225
Holland .....	--	4,399,603	114,088	--	28,824	--	4,546,957
Ireland .....	--	--	--	--	--	--	9,062,344
Mexico .....	--	--	--	--	--	--	7,050,311
New Zealand .....	--	--	--	--	--	--	20,710,858
Paraguay .....	1,384,638	--	--	--	--	7,275	1,391,913
Poland .....	21,000	2,178,787	332,816	--	--	--	2,532,603
Uruguay .....	1,406,861	--	--	--	--	20,160	1,427,021
All others .....	2,450	365,523	86,190	--	38,588	4,975	5,029,851
Total - Nov. 1961 ...	8,117,559	12,883,388	1,089,007	373,144	722,018	898,125	104,402,252
Nov. 1960 ...	5,687,417	8,032,377	744,761	576,150	202,373	193,150	32,582,898
Refused or condemned:							
Nov. 1961 ...	120,490	30,805	6,342	--	2,333	--	463,227
Nov. 1960 ...	4,125	25,438	6,872	--	1,500	--	287,563

Note: In addition to the above, imports of horse meat (in pounds) for November 1961 were as follows: Argentina 272,792, Canada 164,944, Mexico 174,200; November 1960 - Canada 13,515.



## COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, DECEMBER 31, 1961

Red meats totaled 488 million pounds on January 1, up 2 million from a month earlier. These stocks were 15 percent above those of January 1, 1961 but were virtually the same as the 5-year average. The net gain of 2 million pounds compares with an increase of 13 million during December 1960 and the average increase of 48 million pounds. Beef stocks at 199 million pounds, were 17 percent above January 1, 1961 and 8 percent above the 5-year average. A 3 million pound net reduction in beef during December compares with a 1 million pound increase a year ago and the December 1956-60 average gain of 17 million pounds. Holdings of pork totaled 206 million pounds on January 1, a net increase of 13 million pounds during December 1961, compared with 17 million pounds a year earlier and the average increase of 28 million pounds. Total frozen pork increased 15 million pounds to 168 million pounds but total cooler pork declined 2 million pounds to 38 million pounds on January 1.

UNITED STATES STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, DEC. 31, 1961 WITH COMPARISONS  
(Includes holdings in public, private and semi-private  
cold storage houses and meat packing plants)

Commodity	December 1956-60 av.	December 1960	November 1961	December 1961
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
<b>Beef:</b>				
Frozen . . . . .	174,212	161,054	188,921	187,514
In cure and cured . . . . .	10,367	8,791	12,557	11,131
Total . . . . .	184,579	169,845	201,478	198,645
<b>Pork, frozen:</b>				
Picnics . . . . .	1/	6,321	8,916	8,724
Hams . . . . .	1/	23,988	29,764	17,111
Bellies . . . . .	1/	33,510	22,825	40,921
Loins . . . . .	1/	7,574	9,234	9,409
Jowls . . . . .	1/	5,191	4,646	5,930
Butts . . . . .	1/	2,467	3,657	3,462
Spareribs . . . . .	1/	7,456	9,420	11,208
Trimnings . . . . .	1/	9,691	10,553	11,478
Other pork . . . . .	1/	37,736	54,523	59,918
Total . . . . .	170,116	133,934	153,538	168,161
<b>Pork in cooler:</b>				
Dry salt bellies . . . . .	1/	7,983	5,996	8,120
Other dry salt pork . . . . .	1/	5,651	4,398	5,310
Other pork cuts . . . . .	1/	22,658	29,107	24,159
Total . . . . .	52,818	36,292	39,501	37,589
Total pork . . . . .	222,934	170,226	193,039	205,750
<b>Other meats and meat products:</b>				
Veal, frozen . . . . .	14,628	13,695	10,680	11,117
Lamb and mutton, frozen . . . . .	10,644	12,442	18,379	17,643
<b>Canned meats in cooler:</b>				
Hams . . . . .	2/ 54,920	30,483	36,966	29,579
Other meats . . . . .	2/ (	26,481	25,907	25,716
Total all meats . . . . .	487,705	423,172	486,449	488,450
<b>Lard, rendered and refined 3/</b>	104,561	93,500	89,300	4/
<b>GOVERNMENT HOLDINGS 5/ -</b>				
Pork . . . . .	4,115	1,964	2,117	1,360
Beef . . . . .	9,389	2,584	2,484	2,678

1/ No historical data available. 2/ Includes other canned meats. 3/ In dry and cold storage as reported by Bureau of Census. 4/ Not available. 5/ Government holdings are included in the totals and consist of reported stocks held by U. S. D. A., the Armed Services and other Government Agencies.

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SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS  
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Port- land
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Wooled) 80-110#								
Prime	Jan. 13, 1962	17.76	17.70	17.62	--	18.02	18.12	17.62
	Jan. 14, 1961	18.00	--	18.00	--	--	18.50	--
Choice	Jan. 13, 1962	17.01	16.95	17.02	15.88	16.91	17.38	17.38
	Jan. 14, 1961	17.20	17.28	17.00	16.75	17.62	17.75	18.50
Good	Jan. 13, 1962	15.38	15.82	16.10	14.88	15.76	16.25	16.50
	Jan. 14, 1961	16.05	16.18	16.22	16.25	16.62	16.50	17.62
EWES: (Wooled) 90-150#								
Good	Jan. 13, 1962	5.25	6.10	5.62	7.62	7.08	5.75	4.75
	Jan. 14, 1961	5.75	5.88	5.25	--	6.50	4.50	4.88
Gd. & Ch.	Jan. 13, 1962	5.25	5.75	4.75	7.00	6.50	5.00	4.50
	Jan. 14, 1961	5.50	5.25	4.38	7.00*	5.12	3.25	3.75
Cull								
Cull	Jan. 13, 1962	5.25	4.00	3.50	--	5.25	4.25	3.50
FEEDER LAMBS: (Wooled) 60-80#								
Fancy	Jan. 13, 1962	--	15.12	--	--	16.38	--	15.75
	Jan. 13, 1962	--	14.38	--	13.45	15.62	15.25	15.00
Choice	Jan. 14, 1961	--	16.55	--	15.50	16.90	16.00	15.50
Good & Ch.	Jan. 13, 1962	--	12.25	--	12.50	14.38	13.75	13.50

\*Shorn basis.